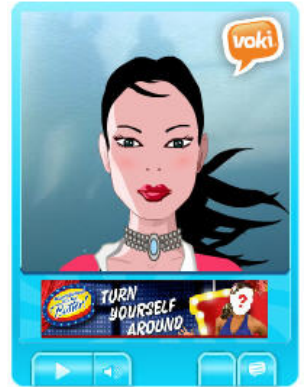# *Adding A Voki Speaking Avatar To Your Blog Sidebar*

Adding a Voki to a sidebar involves creating and grabbing the HTML embed code from Voki website then adding it to a text widget in your blog sidebar.

About Vokis

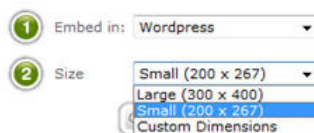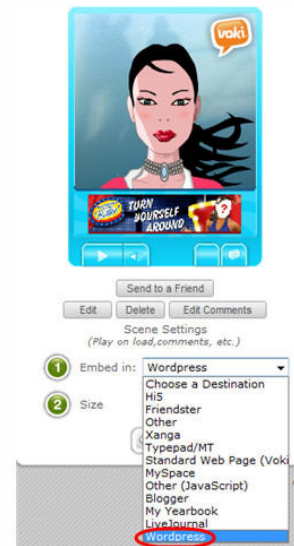Voki enables you to create an avatar in your own voice using a talking character.

You can customize your Voki to look like you or take on the identity of different characters such as animals, monsters.
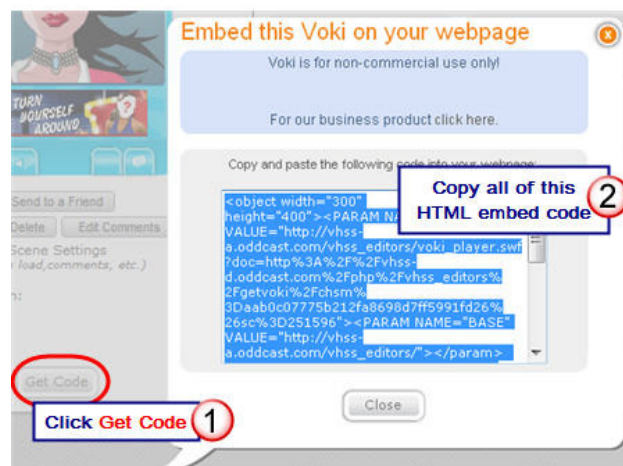
Adding Your Voki Avatar to Your Blog Sidebar

Voki's as added to your blog sidebar using text widgets as follows:

1. Go to Voki

2. Set up a Voki account and then create your own Voki.

3. Once you have published your Voki grab the HTML embed code as follows:

    a) From drop down menu next to 'Embed in' select **WordPress**
    b) From drop down menu next to 'Size' select **Small (200 x 267)** -- use custom dimension of Width 170 for narrow sidebars

    c) Click **Get Code** and copy all the HTML embed code

Tip: Fastest way is to use the ShortCut Keys Ctrl+A to select all text and Ctrl+C to copy the text

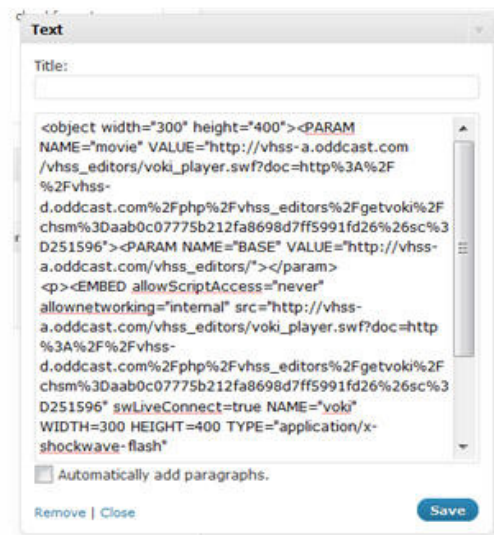4. Go to **Appearance** > **Widgets** in your blog dashboard

5. Click on the desired Sidebar to expand (so you can add the widgets)

6. Add a text widget to the desired sidebar by dragging it from the **Available Widgets** into the Sidebar area on the right.

7. The widget will automatically open — just add the HTML code for your Voki, click **Save** and then **Close**.

8. You should now see your Voki in your blog sidebar!

Tips for Using Voki

1. Audio is better quality and easier to add when created using Audacity (http://aquaculturepda.wikispaces.com/podcast4)
2. Voki terms and conditions state you must be over 13 years to use their service
3. These instructions for embedding Vokis won't work on WordPress.com blogs due to restrictions on the types of code allowed.